

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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This draft is in response to the fax letter you sent me. The letter suggested making three changes in the bill. I did not follow the third suggestion, to add the purpose of the bill to the analysis, because the LRB is required to explain only what a bill does, not the reasons for a bill being proposed. I also did not follow the second suggestion, to refer to s. 704.29 (1) in the bill. Current law does not include that reference because that statute stands on its own and there is no need for a cross-reference to that statutory section. If I did add that cross-reference here, the failure to also add it to other parts of the statutes would create doubt as to the applicability of that statute to those other sections.

I did add the wording in SB-43, allowing all law enforcement agencies to provide written notice. But, I did not include the language added at the end of the affected statutory sections saying the change does not require the Milwaukee County sheriff to provide a property owner notice because that language is unnecessary and limiting. Current law does not require a law enforcement agency to notify a landlord; that notification is discretionary. Referring only to Milwaukee County also raises questions about all other law enforcement agencies.

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